GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:905
ANSWERED ON:22.11.2002
ILLEGAL TRANSACTIONS OF DRUGS IN BANGALORE
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Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bangalore has become the latest destination for unloading the contraband and drugs by the criminals;

(b) if so, the details about the steps taken by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) and the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence in this regard; and

(c) the details about the total quantity seized in illegal transactions of drugs during the last three years in Southern States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) Seizures indicate that part of the southbound illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs, particularly heroin, is through routes which include Bangalore.

(b) Steps taken in this regard include officers of the Narcotics Control Bureau [NCB] being regularly deputed to Bangalore to collect intelligence and identify the places and targets as well as regular surveillance by the officers of the NCB and the Directorate General of Revenue Intelligence [DRI] at sensitive places. Training programmes have also been organized for officials of the Karnataka State Police and other agencies by the NCB.

(c) The details of narcotic drugs seized in the southern States of Andhra Pradesh, Tamilnadu, Kerala & Karnataka during the last three years, as reported by various Drug Law Enforcement Agencies, are given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE

REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.905 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2002
Details of narcotic drugs seized in the four southern States during 2000, 2001 and 2002 (upto October) as reported by various drug law enforcement agencies -

[in kilograms]

DRUG	2000	2001	2002
Heroin	156.999	199.949	215.09
Ganja	13952.37	5434.807	21.750
Ganja Wet	55921.50	19821.500	-
Ganja Plants	-	-	1795 Nom
Cocaine	-	-	0.723
Hashish	-	0.79	18.35

Hashish Oil	2.000	4.309	4.295
Opium	1.014	0.367	-